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II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the levy court of Harford county are hereby authorised and required, at their next levy court, to appoint five discreet, sensible and disinterested persons, as commissioners, to lay out a public road beginning at a place known by the name of John Neal's Lane, and to run in a direction so as to intersect a great road leading to the city of Baltimore, which passes by a place known by the name of Cox's Mill to the Upper Cross Roads; in the laying out of which public road the said commissioners are directed to take into view as well the disadvantages which may result to individuals over whose lands the said road may run, as the convenience of the public, so as to lay out the said road with as little injury to private property as will comport with the public convenience.

Plot to be re-

III. And he it enaîted. That the said commissioners are hereby further directed to return a plot of said road so by them laid out to the clerk's office of said county, to be there recorded, and the levy court shall, after the return of said plot as aforesaid, appoint a supervisor or supervisors to open the same, and shall levy a sum of money, not exceeding one hundred dollars, for that purpose; and the said road, when opened as aforesaid, shall be taken for, and it is hereby declared to be, a public road in said county, and may be repaired as other public roads are repaired in said county; provided nevertheless, that nothing herein contained shall authorise the said commissioners to open the said road, or the levy court to levy any sum of money for that purpose, until the assent of every perfon through whose land the said road may pass be first had and obtained under the hand of every such person, and returned to the levy court aforesaid; and provided also, that nothing herein contained shall in any manner authorise the said commissioners to lay out the said road through the lands of any infant, or person non compos mentis.

Allowance to commissioners, &c. IV. and be it enaced, That the commissioners appointed in virtue of this act, and the surveyor employed by the said commissioners, shall be entitled to an allowance of two dollars for every day they shall severally attend in discharge of the duties herein imposed.

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A Supplement to the act for the better administration of justice in the several counties of this state.

How vacancies are to be filled, &c.

E it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That upon the death, refignation, removal out of the district, or other disqualification, of any chief justice now in commission, or who may hereaster be commissioned in virtue of this act, the governor and council shall and they are hereby authorised and directed to appoint and commission, for such district in which the vacancy may happen, one person of integrity, experience and sound legal know-ledge, who, after his appointment, shall reside in the district for which he is appointed, (and who shall be styled in the commission Chief Justice of the county courts in fuch district;) and upon the death, refignation, removal to refide out of the district, or other disqualification, of any affociate justice commissioned in virtue of the act to which this is a supplement, or who may hereafter be commissioned in virtue of this act, the governor and council shall and they are hereby authorifed and directed to appoint and commission, in such county in which the vacancy may happen, two persons of integrity, experience and knowledge, residents of the county for which they are appointed, (who shall be styled in the commission Associate Justices of the county court of the county for which they shall be appointed;) and the said chief justice and associate justices shall hold their commissions during good behaviour, and may be removed for misbehaviour, in the same manner as the chancellor and the judges may be removed agreeably to the constitution of this state, and not otherwise.

Salaries ascertained, &c.

II. and be it enacted. That every chief justice appointed and commissioned in virtue of an act of assembly passed at November session, seventeen hundred and ninety-six, entitled, An act for the better administration of justice in the several